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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Seven Irving organizations and businesses have been 2 recognized by Congressman Pete Sessions, the City of Irving, the 3 Irving Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce, and a number of civic groups for the exceptional support they have provided to employees engaged 4 5 in Afghanistan, Iraq, and domestic security, and to their families; 6 and WHEREAS, Honored at the April 2004 meeting of the Irving City 7 Council were the Boy Scouts of America; Allstate Insurance Company; 8 Comcast; Exxon-Mobil; Sears, Roebuck and Company; Verizon; and 9 10 Wal-Mart; and 11 WHEREAS, These institutions have gone beyond what is required

by law in providing for their employees in National Guard or Reserve units who have been called to active duty since September 11, 2001; the measures they have taken range from extending the period of pay benefits supplementation to organizing blood contributing to and fund-raising for the National Military Family Association, collecting relief items for deployed personnel, and donating phone cards to members of the military and their families; and

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WHEREAS, Joining in paying tribute to these institutions were the Irving Republican Women, Irving Republican Club, Irving Rotary Club, Irving Kiwanis Club, Irving Elks Lodge No. 3334, Irving Hispanic Forum, and Irving Professional Firefighters Association; and

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- WHEREAS, Those who have been called to service from the National Guard and Reserve have borne, together with their families, a special set of burdens, and the support rendered by these institutions in their behalf is an admirable, concrete expression of appreciation for their tremendous efforts and sacrifice; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas

 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby join in commending these

 outstanding Irving institutions for their generous assistance to

 those employees who have been called to active duty since September

 11, 2001; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared for these institutions as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 252 was adopted by the House on May 17, 2004, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House